

**Minutes from the A&S Strategic Planning Committee Meeting**  
September 9, 2022  
Zoom Meeting

**Present:**

Nicole Derenne  
Greg Vandeberg  
Matthew Flom  
Christopher Gable  
Michele Iams  
Thyra Knapp  
Laine Lyons  
Katie Meyer  
Sarah Robinson  
Becky Simmons  
Jeff Weatherly  
Jessica Zerr  
Jon Maskaly  
Becky Simmons  
Karyn Vasek

**Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.**

**Update:**

Writing the plan in the spring with the idea of implementation in fall 2023; our plan will dovetail with the University's Strategic Plan as much as possible

**Ground Rules for our Work:**

- Be supportive of other's ideas, sensitive to other's perspectives and respectful of other's opinions
- Planning to meet every other week; a Doodle poll will be sent to find future meeting time
- Mix of both Zoom and in-person meetings

**Operating Procedures:**

- Everyone will have access to the Google Drive to see and share documents
- Any sensitive information will be secured if using Google Drive
- Tracy Backstrom will create a website where our work can be shared with the community
- Our work will be transparent and we ask that the community submit ideas/comments as we go

**Brainstorming**

- Want to involve as many voices as possible
- NTT faculty, not included in previous plan, should be included here
- Arts & Humanities should get more attention; previous plan was very science-focused
- What does our college stand for?
- We need to promote the liberal arts and feel like UND's plan is discussing them as well

- Please see the brainstorming document on Google Drive to inspire ideas
- How do we create academic experiences for students; graduate and undergraduate— weaving diversity and inclusion throughout globally?
- Alumni would like to see more connections with the College
- What is the timeframe? (5 years)
- Vision and Mission Statements are up for revision; this is a dynamic college
- Online courses and students must be addressed; becoming increasingly important to A&S
- SPEA students and instructors should be considered; we are the only NDUS institution that offers these enroll anytime courses. They make up 2000 student credit hours since July 1
- Emphasize inter-disciplinary learning and research; put liberal arts front and center
- What about a First Year Experience anchored in A&S?
- DEI initiatives should be central; incorporating equity into assessments
- What is UND’s identity going forward? Are we still aspiring to become R1?
- Alice Clark-type program for staff?
- A&S does so much in many different ways. How do we capture this diversity in a unified way?
- Idea of a “College Culture”; How do students, staff, faculty identify? As a part of A&S?
- New mission and vision statements should be more concise; things people can actively remember

**Matters Arising:**

- Take a look at the documents on Google Drive to discuss next week
- Consider your answers to: “Arts & Sciences aims to \_\_\_\_\_ (be something); in \_\_\_\_\_ (somewhere); by \_\_\_\_\_ (doing something); for \_\_\_\_\_ (someone).”

**Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.**